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Western Veterinary Conference names top WVC 2011 speakers

LAS VEGAS, June 21, 2011 — in appreciation of the most gifted speakers at the 83rd Annual Western Veterinary Conference (WVC), held February 20-24, 2011, at Mandalay Bay Resort & Casino in Las Vegas, WVC has again recognized six Continuing Educators of the Year. Attendees were asked to vote for their favorite presenter in each of six instructional categories: Avian & Exotics, Equine, Food Animal, Practice Management, Small Animal, and Technician.

WVC is pleased to announce the following 2011 Continuing Educators of the Year winners. These men and women, who are considered by attendees to be the elite in teaching techniques, interaction and communication, represent the caliber of instruction and dedication that ensures the continuing education experience at WVC.

Avian & Exotics	Teresa Lightfoot, DVM, Dipl. ABVP (Avian) Florida Veterinary Specialists, Tampa, Florida
Equine	James T. Blackford, DVM, MS, Dipl. ACVS University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee
Food Animal	Geoffrey W. Smith, DVM, MS, PhD, Dipl. ACVIM (LAIM) North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina
Practice Management	Karen E. Felsted, CPA, MS, DVM, CVPM NCVEI, Schaumburg, Illinois
Small Animal	David S. Biller, DVM, Dipl. ACVR Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas
Technician	Kim Spelts, CVT, VTS, CCMT, CCRP Peak Performance Veterinary Group, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Photographs of all six recipients can be viewed at wvc.org.

The initial vote, which determines the top three speakers in each of the six teaching categories, takes place via kiosks on-site at the Conference in February. Then the final ballot of candidates is made available on the WVC website in mid-March. Online voting closes at the end of April.

About Western Veterinary Conference

WVC provides broad continuing education for veterinary professionals and related groups in a world-class destination – Las Vegas, the Entertainment Capital of the World. International authorities and emerging speakers present advanced instruction in first-class convention facilities and hands-on labs in the state-of-the-art Oquendo Center for Clinical Education. WVC is an annual interactive CE opportunity and a networking event for the progressive veterinary community.

Early registration for the 84th Annual WVC is open at wvc.org. For additional information about the Western Veterinary Conference or year-round training at the Oquendo Center for Clinical Education, please go to wvc.org or call: 866.800.7326 (toll-free) or 702.739.6698.